OVERSIGHT—OPERATIONS OF THE U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the Operations of the U.S. Copyright Office. Testimony was heard from Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress.

ACCESS TO RURAL PHYSICIANS IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, approved for full Committee action H.R. 4453, Access to Rural Physicians Improvement Act of 2004.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: S. 1814, To transfer federal lands between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior; H.R. 3479, Brown Tree Snake Control and Eradication Act of 2003; and H.R. 4027, amended, To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to make available to the University of Miami property under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on Virginia Key, Florida, for use by the University for a Marine Life Science Center

AIRLINE INDUSTRY—FINANCIAL CONDITION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on The Financial Condition of the Airline Industry. Testimony was heard from JayEtta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; Michael Kestenbaum, Executive Director, Air Transportation Stabilization Board; and public witnesses.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE: IRAN

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Counterintelligence: Iran. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL TERRORISM UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Terrorism Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

NATIONAL BIODEFENSE STRATEGY

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Towards A National Biodefense Strategy." Testimony was heard from Penrose Albright, Assistant Secretary, Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security; from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Anthony Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and William F. Raub, M.D., Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Public Health Emergency Preparedness; MG Lester Martinez-Lopez, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael H. Watson, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, 10 a.m., SD–226.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the employment situation for May, 9:30 a.m., 1334 LHOB.